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'FAMILY TAUGHT FOR 100 YEARS'

Smiling Miss Borrack is surrounded by her pupils from Grade 3A at Brooklyn.

Photo by Barry Sutton, 65-6017.

When Miss Mabel Borrack, of Blyth Street, Altona, retired from teaching last week it was the end of more than a century of unbroken service to the Education Department by three generations of her family.

Miss Borrack's father, the late Mr. C. A. Borrack, spent his final teaching years as head master of Altona Primary School from 1922-30.

Her grandfather taught at the Ballarat School of Mines. One of her brothers was also a teacher.

Several nieces and nephews are still with the Department —one is a well-known artist, Mr. John Borrack who teaches at Newlands High School.

Miss Borrack commenced her teaching career in 1918 at Wonthaggi. When her father was appointed to Altona, she also transferred here and taught under him.

This was when the family came to live in Blyth Street.

Over the years Miss Borrack has also taught at Williamstown, Newport, Stanhope Colac West, Edithvale, Footscray North, Seaholme and for the last eight years at Brooklyn.

At Brooklyn last Thursday they held a farewell function in the afternoon.

Guests at the farewell included Cr. J. J. Ginifer, of Altona Council, Mr. J. S. Crocker, staff inspector, of the Western District, Mr. J. H. Breadon, District Inspector for Footscray, Mr. Zarth, of the School Committee, relatives and teaching friends of Miss Borrack.

Several presentations were made—the children gave Miss Borrack a Gordon Tartan angora rug, Mrs. Wood on behalf of the Mothers' Club a large hand-bag and on behalf of the staff, Miss Flickett, Infant Mistress, presented a string of cultured pearls.

The gifts were selected keeping in mind that next February Miss Borrack with her sister, Mrs. Tone, will be going abroad for six months. They plan visits to Britain, Ireland, Italy and France.

When she returns Miss Borrack has no plans for her retirement but will no doubt welcome the leisure time to indulge her keen interest in drama, music and reading.

Christmas Greetings

The "Altona Star" extends seasonal greetings to all.

On behalf of the Altona community we offer appreciation and thanks to the many who are striving to make Altona a better place.

We thank our Shire President, his Councillors and staff and the various organisations and individuals too numerous to mention, but whom we think of with respect.

We extend our good wishes to those, particularly teachers, who are leaving Altona at the close of the year. May their thoughts of our town in the future be always pleasant ones.

Our sympathy and compassion goes to those who have been bereaved or have to meet sickness or trouble at this festive time.

We also express thanks to our customers and advertisers and to our correspondents (whose efforts are well appreciated).

And we also wish our readers all they wish for themselves.

A most happy Christmas and real happiness in the coming year and in the years to come.

DECISION ON EXPLOSIVES RESERVE STILL TO COME

Altona is still waiting for a decision on the future use of the Truganina Explosives Reserve.

It is now many months since a council deputation objected to the proposed establishment of a delinquent centre on the reserve.

No reply to the deputation has been received.

However, on the plans of the proposed railway extension from Altona station, the line is extended to Westona, across to a station on the Reserve and on to Point Cook. This was the plan in the hands of the Minister of Transport when he visited Altona recently.

Cr. H. W. Lee said it appears from the plan that somebody, somewhere, has considered the Explosives Reserve will be a residential area and will need a railway station.

The Minister mentioned that from recent transport surveys it has been ascertained that unless the public goes back to using public transport including railways the roads will not cope with future traffic.

Therefore, he said the trend should be back to public transport and provision must be made for this move.

Last Tuesday night Cr. Lee said it is time a decision came from the Premier. He said the longer it is left the harder it would be to have an adverse decision reversed.

He moved that the council write and ask the Premier for information on plans for the Reserve.

MORE POLICE SOON

Altona is high on the priority list for an improved police service and something could be done as early as February next year.

This assurance was given members of a deputation from Altona Council by Mr. Petty, Deputy Chief Commissioner of Police when they met last Thursday morning.

The council is aware of the statements by the Chief Secretary that police patrols in this area are being increased and more police are to be located at Footscray.

However, they requested the receiving of this deputation to press Altona's claims for permanent increased police services and the construction of the proposed police station at Altona North.

Cr. H. W. Lee said Mr. Petty stressed the overall shortage of police in the force. It is hoped to improve this situation with increased recruiting over the next few months.

In fact the provision of a better service in Altona will depend on this drive but Mr. Petty assured the deputation that he is well aware of the situation in Altona.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM Cr. V. L. HEARN

At this time of the year, it is my pleasure to extend Christmas greetings to ratepayers of the Shire of Altona and to all readers of "Altona Star."

I trust that the holiday season will be one of benefit to all and a time to meet friends and enjoy holidaying and picnicking which has been looked forward to during the past year.

I trust that safety will be paramount in all minds when travelling and even when crossing roads. In the past year, the council has done much to improve amenities in the area by the continuation of road making program, the provision of a pedestrian subway at Altona North High, and the opening of Altona Library. Next year, the council hopes to continue this program and will open two new kindergartens in Altona North and plans to open two kindergartens per year for the next three years. Another subway for school children will be built in Millers Road at the Seaholme Primary School.

Mrs. Hearn and I now wish all a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

V. L. HEARN.

Youth Organisations Well Represented at Special Meeting

Altona people are concerned about their young people. This was made clear by the attendance of most youth organisations at the special meeting called by the council last week.

The meeting was arranged to give youth organisations of the district an opportunity to come together and discuss the recent publicity which reflected on the youth in our community.

A resume of the situation and proposed plans for the future provoked a lengthy discussions.

Various viewpoints put forward by numerous people gave food for thought and positive action.

Represented were the Altona and Altona North Youth Clubs, Altona and Altona North St. John Ambulance Brigades, Church of England Fellowship, Presbyterian Fellowship, Baptist Boys Brigade, 1st and 3rd Altona Scouts, the Guides and Brownies, Altona Drama Group, Schools, Apex and the Yacht Club, tennis, junior football, senior football, soccer and hockey clubs.

Cr. H. W. Lee gave a general outline of the position in Altona, the reason for calling the meeting and submitted council propositions.

He apologised for the necessity of the meeting. But, criticism has been levelled at Altona. The meeting could decide whether it was fair, whether it was justified and what could be done.

In his opinion recent events in Altona had received undue publicity. Worse happenings in other areas were not stressed. Television viewers had been given the impression that no facilities for youth existed in Altona. Even when the facts were made clear no retraction was made by the station concerned.

Cr. Lee referred to the shortage of police. He said the police were doing a fine job but their numbers were insufficient. He put forward a suggestion from the police for a club to which young people could feel they belong and run themselves.

Equipment could include a billiard table and like features. Council would be prepared to help finance such a proposal if the meeting gave it support.

Perhaps the most vital criticism was the lack of teenage dances, said Cr. Lee. The council would be prepared to make the hall available at a reduced rental if under satisfactory control by local bodies.

A group of local organisations could run the dances collectively or in rotation.

Mr. T. Poole, of Altona Yacht Club pointed out the need for young members to take an active responsible part in any organisation. He instanced the 70 or 80 junior members of his club who have accepted responsibility and give no trouble.

Rev. W. Moriarty said it would be difficult to get the lads involved in the recent disturbances interested in any club. These troubles were caused by a small minority—some of whom were probably known to others at the meeting.

Senior Constable S. B. Emerson, of Altona Police Station, gave a favourable report of Altona youth. In his experience of 33 years he finds Altona one of the quietest areas in Melbourne.

He strongly supported a youth club run by the lads themselves. Possibly a room at the Homestead could be made available and the lads elect their own committee and be under their own discipline.

Rev. J. Haysey did not consider the bad publicity sufficient cause for calling the meeting. He thought, however, proposals to care for youth were good but should not be too restricted.

Mr. D. Wodcock suggested a list of available facilities should be posted in prominent positions around the Shire.

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BAD PUBLICITY

Front page news? As it appeared in Saturday's publication of a daily newspaper will not help solve youth problems.

This was journalism at its attrocious worst. It was in no way objective, it was not fair comment and it definitely pandered to the emotions of the most impressionable section of its readers.

The reporting of the reported remarks of gang leaders and members has served to glorify them in the eyes of their friends. It could inspire others to emulate their exploits.

This is a tangible issue which the council could take up with the paper concerned.

THE NEXT ISSUE

Publication of the "Altona Star" will be resumed on January 20, 1966. The office will reopen as from Tuesday, January 11.

Cr. Hearn Still in Hospital

Cr. V. L. Hearn, Shire President, is still an inmate of Royal Melbourne Hospital.

He underwent an operation on Thursday afternoon and weekend visitors report that he is looking well and hopes to receive satisfactory reports on the operation soon.

Time of return home is indefinite, but Cr. Hearn is looking forward to that day.

Civic Offices Will Close

The Civic Offices will close on Christmas Eve and will reopen at 8.30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 4. The library will close at 9 p.m. on Christmas Eve and open at noon on Monday, January 4, 1966.

EDITORIAL

The Simplicity of Christmas

The events and circumstances of the birth of Christ can be recalled and pictured by all.

The angels song, the shepherds, the star, the wise men, the manger in the stable area are the theme of the artist and the poet.

Our minds dwell with pleasure on the drama of the birth.

At this time of the year it would be well for a time to think of the simplicity of Christmas. To leave the family carols and cards and think of just the birth—the Mother and the Baby. The birth of Jesus to Mary—the birth of a son to a mother.

The most fitting picture for Christmas will always be a mother and her child. A mother who gives life to her son. A mother who keeps all these things in her heart. A son in whom rests the hopes and fears of all the years.

We are often too inclined to think too little of the humanity of Jesus. Mary never did. He was her son. She had a mother's care for him. And He never thought little of His humanity. How often did He call Himself "The Son of man."

Because too we often dwell on the outer circumstances of the birth we may be inclined to overlook the deeper significance of its meaning.

The birth of Jesus was a beginning. It was the beginning of the personification of the divine love. It was the beginning of the manifostation of God in man. It was the beginning of a way back to God.

To those who lived with Christ in Palestine it could have meant all this. To some it did. Some did not understand.

But Christ is beyond the limits of time. He is the same yesterday, today and forever. For each of us He could be a beginning, a beginning of Himself, a beginning of divine love and joy. A beginning of the knowledge of God. For some He is.

The birth of Jesus is more than a historical event. It is a time when every person has an opportunity to enter a new Garden of Eden.

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YOUTH ORGANISATIONS WELL REPRESENTED

Mr. T. McGarry, experienced in youth work, was a strong advocate for the need for a professional youth leader in Altona.

Mr. M. Kidd emphasised the word used by the Rev. Haysey, "care." He said care of the young people should be the keynote.

Teenage junior footballer, Geoffrey Cresser, pointed out the successful organisation of his club is due to a teenage committee which has the assistance of but two adults.

The pros and cons for a new club were discussed at length.

There was, however, a very strong feeling that if the council is considering financial support, existing organisations have a strong claim.

It was agreed that another meeting with one senior and one junior member from each organisation be held on February 3, 1966.

The aim of the meeting is to determinate the needs of the youth of Altona generally and to attempt to find ways and means of fulfilling these needs.

Cr. G. den Dulk who chaired the meeting was pleased at interest shown in the meeting. The discussion had opened his eyes.

He now had further thoughts on the suggested club which he would take back to the council.

A TURF WIN BY AN INNINGS

Terry Gray, bowling with fire and accuracy, bundled out Southern Cross for 67 runs last Saturday.

Altona's fielding left a lot to be desired. If all catches were held this score would have been much less.

Altona showed variety in their attack with the spinners bowling well and dismissing Southern Cross in their second innings for 100.

The highlight was the two fine sixes hit by Ray Curwood off Frank Kirk.

ALTONA.—1st Innings: 170.

SOUTH. CROSS.—1st Innings:

Campbell c, b T. Gray	0
Magee b. T. Gray	3
Fry, c, b T. Gray	8
Armstrong b Goucher	15
McKenzie b Goucher	2
Curwood b T. Gray	0
Black c, b T. Gray	1
L. Norton b T. Gray	2
Ward stpd., b Kirk	15
R. Fairall not out	0
Taylor run out	14
Sundries	7
TOTAL	67

BOWLING: T. Gray 6/18, D. Goucher 2/33, F. Kirk 1/3.

STH. CROSS.—2nd Innings:

Magee stpd., b Kirk	0
Campbell b Kirk	0
Fry b Page	5
Armstrong c, b Michael	1
Ward c, b Page	1
Curwood c, b Perussich	25
Black lbw, b Page	31
McKenzie b Michael	20
L. Norton lbw, b Michael	0
Taylor not out	11
R. Fairall c, z Kirk	2
Sundries	4
TOTAL	100

BOWLING: F. Kirk 4/27, J Page 3/25, N. Michael 2/10, Perussich 1/18, T. Gray 0/16.

"Economy Maintains Impetus"

The capacity of the Australian economy to maintain its impetus despite sharp reductions in overseas balances had been the outstanding feature of 1964-65, the President of the Bank of New South Wales, Mr. John Cadwallader, said today in his report to the annual meeting.

Mr. Cadwallader said that in the past year Australia had again demonstrated the resilience and capacity for growth that could be maintained in a modern diversified economy.

"In spite of serious drought conditions in some areas and some falls in export commodity prices, gross national product continued to increase at a rate comparable with the past two remarkably good years," he said.

"When allowance is made for price changes, it seems likely that a real growth rate close to five per cent. may have been attained.

"This is close to the figure which has been suggested as a reasonable Australian target."

IMMIGRATION VITAL TO ECONOMY

Mr. Cadwallader said that the steady population increase had been an important factor in the economic growth.

"Immigration is vital to the nation," he said.

"Recent studies show that about 70 per cent. of the increase in the work force since World War II. has come from immigration.

"The expansion of the work force has of late contributed over 40 per cent. of the rise, in real terms, in gross national product."

The role of immigration, he said, should not be discontinued because of the high birth rates of the late forties.

"As in the past, determined effort will help key sectors of industry to gain immigrants with special skills.

"Moreover, we cannot look with complete equanimity at the fall in the birth rate since 1961."

INFLATION BARELY SUPPRESSED

Mr. Cadwallader said that for most of the year the tone of the economy was one of barely suppressed inflation, if measured by the demand for labour.

Manufacturing industries had increased production but more slowly than at the high rate achieved in the previous year.

"Stocks have tended to accumulate in several industries and unrestricted competition from imports, coupled with keen internal rivalry, has curbed upwards price adjustments," he said.

The Government has rejected suggestions of more comprehensive protective measures for industry even in the face of continuing high imports and falling oversea reserves.

Manufacturing industries were, in many cases, using such a high proportion of imported raw materials and components that it would not be easy to limit the total by any simple administrative device.

However, the Government had continued to assist some industries adversely affected by excessive competition by new protective tariffs.

OVERSEA BALANCES

From a peak of £812,000,000 in June 1964 the Reserve Bank's gold and balances held abroad had receded by the end of September 1965 to the total of £589,000,000—a sum representing less than half a year's imports.

"A movement of such dimensions in the past would have had relatively greater effect on the state of internal credit than has occurred on this occasion.

"The reasons lie partly in the improved international arrangements for drawing rights with the International Monetary Fund, which give useful backing to the large cash balances which the Australian banking system has always desired to hold abroad, and enables a more sanguine view to be taken of what may be short-term fluctuations.

ENCOURAGING MINERAL PROSPECTS

"One reason for quiet condence in the face of falling reserves," Mr. Cadwallader said, "has been the particularly encouraging turn in prospects for minerals."

"Not only have new deposits been found, but large long-term contracts for exports have been written, which will add substantially to export income for at least the next 20 years.

"Long-term prospects for the rural industries are also very bright, although the immediate future is clouded by the effects of the serious drought in northern New South Wales and in southern and western Queensland.

"Reports suggest a big fall in the wheat crop and a substantial reduction in the wool clip. Numbers of breeding livestock could fall considerably and adversely affect production of wool and meat in the next few years."

Mr. Cadwallader said that world demand for rural products continues to rise with an expanding world population and rising living standards.

DEFENCE COMMITMENTS

"Unfortunately the trend of world events has made it necessary for Australia, along with other countries, to devote even more resources towards defence than a year ago," he said.

"The nature of our commitments has involved a higher rate of external spending on modern equipment and the maintenance of forces in strategic areas.

"Yet it has been economically and politically possible to match these direct defence measures with an increase in contributions of aid to underdeveloped countries, including New Guinea, and to such institutions as the new Asian Development Bank."

"That these commitments have been met with only a marginal change in income tax and some indirect taxes is rather remarkable," Mr. Cadwallader said.

MONETARY POLICY

Mr. Cadwallader said that monetary policy in the past year had been directed primarily at avoiding additions to the already high level of demand caused by governmental and private expenditure in conditions bordering on over-full employment.

Interest rates and bond yields had been allowed to rise and the major trading banks had been requested not to increase their new overdraft lending.

"But in spite of these actions and the dampening effect of a continuing adverse balance of payments, the volume of money in Australia has continued to rise, although at a slower pace," he said.

INTEREST RATES

"In the past year the authorities have continued a more flexible attitude to interest rates.

"Not only were they permitted changes in both term and rate of fixed deposits effective in allowing the banks to compete with other borrowers but within banking a variation in the margin between interest rates on fixed deposits and savings bank deposits led to some diversion of funds to the trading banks.

"At the same time," Mr. Cadwalader said, "there seems to be added realisation that interest rates in Australia can have a noticeable effect on capital inflow and the demand by oversea-based companies within Australia for financial accommodation.

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Church Notices

BAPTIST

Sargood St., Altona.

Cordially welcomes you to all meetings.

Services: 11 a.m. and 7 pm.

Communion: First Sunday morning and Third Sunday evening.

11.30 a.m.: Junior Christian Endeavour.

2.30 p.m.: Intermediate Christian Endeavour.

7 p.m.: Evening Service.

Minister—Pastor R. J. Reynolds. 62 Blyth Street, Altona. Phone 65-8829.

CATHOLIC

St. Mary's

Railway St., Altona.

Masses.

Sundays: 7.30, 9, and 10.30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7, 8 a.m., and 6

First Fridays: 7 a.m., and 6 p.m.

Week Days: 7 a.m

Saturdays: 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Saturdays: 10 a.m., and 7 p.m.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m.

First Friday (Maltese) :4-5.30 p.m.

St. Mary's Presbytery, Railway Street, Altona. Phone. 65-8964.

St. Joseph's Convent, Sargood Street, Altona. Phone: 65-8686.

Queen of Peace

Laverton

Masses.

Sundays: 7.30 and 9 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., and 6 p.m.

First Fridays: 6.30 p.m.

Week Days: Thursdays, 11 a.m. Saturdays, 8 a.m.

Confessions.

Eve of Holy Days: 7 p.m.

Eve of First Fridays: 7 p.m

Rev. Father J. Nooney, P.P.
Father V. Rubeo.

St. Leo's

Altona North.

Services are being held in St. Paul's School building in Chambers Road, Altona Nth.

Masses:

Sundays: 7.30, 9, 10 and 11 a.m.

Confessions:

Each Saturday at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Rev. Father J. Kierce, P.P.

Christmas Services:

Christmas Day: Midnight Mass, 7.30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

New Year's Day: 7.30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., and 11 a.m.

Church of England

St. Eanswythes

Queen St., Altona

Christmas Services:

Christmas Eve, 11.30 p.m.: Midnight Service, Holy Communion with Blessing of Crib.

Christmas Day, 8 a.m.: Holy Communion; 9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion with Procession.

Sunday Services:

7 p.m.: Evensong.

8 a.m. and 9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Mid-Week Services:

Wednesday, 10.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

Friday.—6.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

VICAR—Rev. W. W. Moriarty, 7 Bent Street, Altona. Phone: 398-1005.

Church of England

St. Lukes

Corner Blackshaws and Millers Roads, Altona North.

Christmas Services:

Christmas Day: 12 Midnight and 9.30 a.m., Holy Communion.

Sunday:

9.30 a.m.: Holy Communion.

VICAR—Rev. D. Townsend, 300 Blackshaws Road, Altona North. Phone 391-3095.

LUTHERAN

Seves St., Altona.

Second Sunday of month.

2.30 p.m.: in Methodist Church, Seves Street, Altona

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MINISTER—Pastor H. Blasius Phone 391-2609.

METHODIST

Seves St., Altona.

Sunday.

Sunday School: 9.45 a.m.

11 a.m. and 7 p.m.: Divine Worship.

Cnr. Marion St., & Sixth Avenue, Altona North.

Sunday:

11 a.m.: Divine Worship.

Minister—Rev. John C. Adamthwaite, 158A Blackshaws Rd., Spotswood. Phone 391-2406.

Goble St., Laverton

(Held in Church of England Hall, Goble Street, Laverton.)

Divine Worship 3 p.m.

Minister—Rev. A. D. McGregor, 61 Synott St., W'bee.

Phone: Wer. 116.

PRESBYTERIAN

241 Civic Pde., Altona.

Sunday Services:

9.30 a.m.: Worship.

7 p.m.: Worship and Christian Education.

MINISTER: Rev. John Haysey The Manse, 9 Lindwood Ave., Altona. Phone: 398-1591.

9 Paringa Rd., Altona N.

MINISTER: Mr. Colin L. Squires, The Manse, 11 Paringa Rd., Altona North, W.18.

Phone: 314-5179.

Salvation Army

Queen St., and Civic Pde Altona

Sunday:

8.30 a.m.: Prayer Meeting.

9.30 a.m.: Sunday School, eight years and over, Queen Street Hall. Three years to eight years, Civic Parade Hall.

11 a.m.: Holiness Meeting, Queen Street Hall.

7 p.m.: Salvation Meeting, Queen Street Hall.

Lt. D. How, Corps Officer.

The Social Whirl

If you have any news of a birthday, engagement, wedding, or social event, it can be included in these pages. Phone 65-8277—there is no charge.

Timely Gift by Rotary

Pictured at the presentation are (from left to right) Cadets John Scott and David Morgan, Mr. Jack Piggot, Chairman of the Community Service Committee of Altona Rotary, Mr. W. Noonan, Cadet Superintendant of Altona St. John's, Dr. J. Leyden, President of Altona Rotary, Mr. Jemmeson, member of the Community Service Committee, Cadet Walter Lenyszyn and Mr. H. Reynolds, Divisional Officer of St. John's.

Photo by Barry Sutton, 65-6017.

This was a timely presentation of a walkie talkie set to the local St. John Ambulance Brigade by Altona Rotary Club last Thursday.

In use for the first time on Sunday a call for assistance was sent back to base within the first hour.

It enabled much quicker first aid attention to be given a semi-conscious 16-year-old girl taken from the water on the western side of the pier.

Base for the unit is the first aid room near the Altona Life Saving Club and cadets patrol from here in both easterly and westerly directions.

The unit had been in use barely an hour when the cadet patrolling the western section of the beach radioed the base with details of a girl being taken from the water. She was Sandra Moore, of the Altona Hostel.

Mr. Graham Shanahan of St. John's, accompanied by life savers, immediately went to the beach and rendered first aid. Mr. Vic White remained in the first-aid room and set up the rescusitor. Previously all this action would not have occurred until somebody had ran to the first aid room to relate the accident. This time factor was eliminated.

The girl was brought to the base where after further treatment she recovered consciousness.

However, as she was suffering from shock, Sandra was taken by ambulance to Footscray and District Hospital.

'ECONOMY MAINTAINS IMPETUS'

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"We have consistently argued for greater flexibility in interest rates as a suitable and effective tool of monetary policy."

"It is worth observing that the more interest rates are used for this purpose the more conscious people become of their significance. The effectiveness, therefore, of even marginal changes is steadily enhanced.

BANK LENDING RATIONED

"As might be expected in the recent buoyant atmosphere of the economy, demand for bank accommodation has been strong in all sections."

"To keep within the first the Reserve Bank banks have limits set for new lending by been engaged essentially in a rationing process which places stress on their management right through to the smaller decisions at branch level."

Mr. Cadwallader said that the banks had been given the authority to make special arrangements for drought relief finance, but full demand for this assistance would not be evident until conditions allowed restocking.

HOUSING

"Of increasing importance in monetary policy is the rate of new lending for housing through the savings banks.

"In the last three years this type of lending has increased over 40 per cent. and is currently running at a rate close to £140,000,000 a year. Given reasonable latitude in the operation of controls and of statutory limitations this increased reliance on the banking system could provide a satisfac-

"Allocation of more resources tory stabilising influence for the building industry.

to housing, however, must affect priorities for other projects of national importance," Mr. Cadwallader said.

MARRIAGE
PIRIE-DE LOSA

The marriage of Rosemary, younger daughter of Mrs. A. De Losa, of Barkly Street, Ballarat, and the late Mr. De Losa, to Alister, only son of Captain and Mrs. H. L. Pirie, of 27 The Esplanade, Seaholme, was celebrated at Ballarat on Friday, December 17, at 4.30 p.m.

S.L.A.N. Christmas Hamper Results

Results of the Christmas Hamper run by St. Leo the Hamper run by S.L.A.N. are as follows—

1st (Christmas Hamper): Ticket No. 2503, F. Kosowski, 10 Huxtable Avenue, Altona North; 2nd (Christmas Cake): Ticket No. 2258, C. Cassar, 12 Park Street, West Newport.

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ENGAGEMENT
NOONAN-REITH

Mr. and Mrs. W. Noonan, of 59 Blyth Street, Altona, have much pleasure in announcing the engagement of their only daughter, Maureen Joan, to Robert, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Reith, Camden, New South Wales.

St. John Ambulance

The St. John Ambulance Brigade, Altona Cadet Division, Christmas Stocking results are—

1st (Stocking): Mrs. M. Bouting, 1 Wren Street, Altona; 2nd (Cake): Agsta Terconic, 247 Blackshaws Road, West Newport.

Thanking everyone who assisted in the effort.

Bowling Club Social News

Winners of the social bowls this week were—

Thursday: M. Bromley and W. Neal (s).

Sunday: N. Leckie (Footscray Park), W. Condon, R. Fisher and S. Pilcher (s).

Birthday greetings over the next few weeks to D. Watson, P. Cunningham, J. Grant, B. McMinn, V. Turner, G. Bush, L. O'Donnell, B. McNelly and G. Snowden.

Congratulations on their wedding anniversaries to R. and J. Fisher, E and T. Ollivier, D. and A. Shaw, I. and L O'Donnell, E. and H. Martin

On Saturday, December 18, at the well attended Christmas social a cheque for £300 was presented to the men

The winners of the Christmas Stocking were—

1st: Ticket No. 1592, Mrs. J. Shaw, Fitzgerald Road, Laverton; 2nd: Ticket No. 0808, B. Benson; 3rd Ticket No. 0863, Mrs. J. Cheasley, Millers Road, Seaholme.

The winner of the doll and cradle was Noelene Holmes.

KOORINGAL GOLF

Saturday's Four Ball Best Ball Bogey event was won by F. Cahill and G. Whelan, 7 up, on a countback from R. Caithness and H. Walker.

Final of the G. McDiven-F. Norton Trophy saw B. Cron and N. McLeod defeat P. Murphy and G. Murphy 4-3.

Sunday's Bogey competition event went to R. Jensen (9), 4 up, from J. Curry (9), 3 up.

SIX WEEKS HONEYMOON FOR COUPLE

A six weeks honeymoon in the Hawkesbury district of New South Wales, including cruising on the river, followed the marriage of Miss Thelma Mason and Mr. John Ragas at St. Mary's Church, Altona, last Saturday.

The bride, who formerly lived on the Esplanade, Altona, is the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. R. Mason, of Tahara, near Hamilton, and a sister of Mrs. Ron McLeod, of Altona.

The groom, a teacher at Sunshine North Primary School, is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Ragas, of Akuna Street, Altona.

A bell skirted gown of ribbed satin with a pin pleated crossover collar and a pink velvet sash was worn by the bride. A small pill box hat held in place her four tiered waist length veil. She wore pink shoes and carried a snowball of white carnations.

Three young girls, relatives of either the bride or groom, were junior bridesmaids—8-year-old Wendy McLeod, 9-year-old Yvonee Bouchiers, and 4-year-old Lesley Schultz. They wore empire line frocks of white tree bark satin. The pink ribbons on their frocks matched the pink rosebuds in their hair and they also carried snowballs of white carnations.

Best man was another school teacher, Mr. Keith Higgins, who used to teach at Seaholme Primary School.

The bride's mother wore an attractive blue and white silk frock, a natural light-weight wool coat, matching accessories and a blue hat.

The groom's mother wore a dark cinnamon silk ensemble, a fawn breton and matching accessories.

Guests from Adelaide, Hamilton, Colac and Mt. Gambier were among the 100 people at the reception in the Civic Hall where congratulatory messages were read out from relatives of the Ragas family in Holland.

The bride wore a very smart going away outfit—black trimmed white frock topped by a black and white check jacket with a black breton and accessories.

Elderly Citizens Club News

On Friday, December 17, the Altona Elderly Citizens Club held their break-up and drew the raffle for the doll, the winning ticket was No. 413, Mr. Hogan, 82 Railway Street, Altona.

Father Christmas gave out 115 gifts and all enjoyed fun and games afterwards.

Mrs. Jones won the special effort, a lovely Christmas Cake, donated by Mrs. Johnstone.

Mrs. Mitchell lead 15 minutes community singing.

On Saturday, December 18, the club held their last dance for the year and 71 attended. Each received novelties on entering the hall. It was a very happy night for all.

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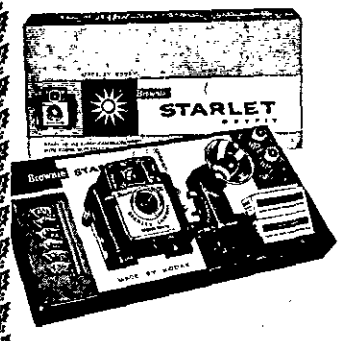

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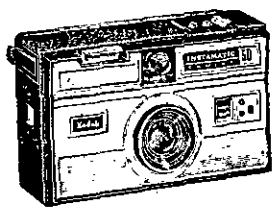

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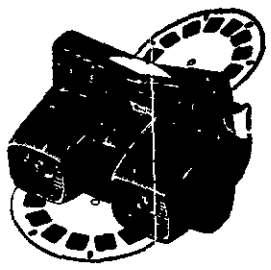

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RAAF APPRENTICES SELECTED

A provisional list of 239 young men have been offered apprenticeships by the RAAF. They will start training in the New Year.

The youths, aged between 15 and 17 years, will spend two and a half years at RAAF apprentice schools, followed by up to 12 years service at RAAF bases.

Fifty-one of the apprentices will train at the RAAF School of Radio at Laverton and 188 engineering apprentices will enter the RAAF School of Technical Training at Wagga, New South Wales.

The Minister for Air, Mr. Howson, said today that the trainees could look forward to an exciting life in the Air Force working on modern aircraft such as the Mirage and F-111. On completion of their apprentice training, they would qualify for trade union recognition.

Altona lads selected are as follows—

RADIO.—R. Dries, Blair Court, Altona North;

ENGINEERING. — A. S. Buttery, Creswick Street, Laverton; M. J. Harris, Chamberlain Road, Altona North.

21st BIRTHDAY

The twenty-first birthday Miss Patricia Nevitt, on daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Nevitt, of Harrington S Altona West, was celebrat at Talbot House, William town, last Friday night.

It was a double celebrati for Patricia as her engag ment to Kevin, second s of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Pe rose, of Maidstone, also w announced.

Guests included old frien from the days when they liv in Chelsea and new frien made since living in Alton

Patricia wore an empire li white tie silk frock trimm with white velvet ribbon. the base of the deep V ne line at the back she wore white rose.

Her father presented h with the traditional key— was a most unusual one mou ted on a wooden stand. M Nevitt made the attracti birthday cake.

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Petitioners meet Council

Petitioners objecting to the construction of the breakwater at Seaholme are unable to see any advantage in the proposed structure, only disadvantages, Mr. Eric Scherman told members of the Altona Shire Council Parks, Foreshore and Properties Committee earlier this month.

He was one of three spokesmen invited to put objectors' views before the committee.

He agreed that the Boat Owners-Association, which made representation to the council to have the breakwater erected, should have their boats protected, but he said residents feel the breakwater is not the answer. He said the boats must keep well out in open water and, therefore, would not receive much protection from the breakwater.

He pointed out that the dangerous seas are from the east and south-east and that for years boats have sheltered behind the reef.

He also drew attention to the fact that the construction of a breakwater will affect the value of land in the area and also affect the attractiveness of the area.

Mr. Scherman stated that he was very concerned with the beach aspect at Seaholme.

He could go back 39 years when the beaches at Altona had plenty of sand, but these have disappeared over the years and the municipality is confronted with a seawall and proposed groynes in an endeavour to preserve the beach as it is.

He pointed out that the beach on the eastern end of the foreshore was regularly cleansed by tides and is situated in an area populated with many children and as it is very safe for family groups, they make considerable use of the area.

He considers that after living 39 years in Altona conditions at that particular point are the same as when he was a lad.

Mr. Scherman said residents are concerned at the diminishing beach areas and although it is understood the council acted on expert advice he contended that all breakwaters which have been erected have been constructed on expert advice and in all cases the expert advice does not appear to have eliminated the problems of silting. He gave instances of where this has occurred around the other side of the bay. He said the petitioners do not want this type of thing to happen at Altona.

In closing Mr. Scherman suggested that everything be done to preserve the beaches and that a lot could be done to improve the surroundings of the beach area.

SEAWEED BANK-UP FEARED

Mrs. Dickson, of Seaholme, expressed her fears at the effects which could be produced if the breakwater causes the bank-up of seaweed.

She said already seaweed banks exist on each side of the breakwater site and further that houses nearby are starting to go black as in past years, although previously this has not been normal at this time of the year.

Mrs. Dickson referred to a radio broadcast on December 4 entitled "Labor Speaks" wherein it was stated that civilisation has a better chance of suffocating from air pollution than from anything else.

In explaining she stated that seaweed produces hydrogen sulphide and this can be dangerous to children and in fact would spoil the area for children.

Third spokesman, Mr. H. Pirie, supported the remarks of both speakers.

Mr. Pirie went on to say that the erection of a breakwater would cause impurities being discharged into the sea to be retained in the water being used by bathers.

He also pointed out that at present yacht club members have to carry their boats a considerable distance to reach the sea and if siltation did take place, the distance could be even further.

A natural channel exists at present and a breakwater would block this channel.

Seaweed is already accumulating on the part of the break water which has been constructed. He requested removal of this section of the structure.

Mr. Pirie pointed out that the boats which will be moored in the area number approximately 200 and would be valued approximately £100 each, giving a total value of £20,000. However, damage which could be caused, would possibly be much more costly.

He said residents feel the breakwater would afford very little protection to boats when the weather was from the south, south-west or south-east.

In reply to questions asked by the speakers the Shire Engineer, Mr. R. C. Simmons, said the Port and Harbours Branch had advised him of the possibility of an accumulation of seaweed and siltation and that the council was not in a position to give a guarantee that this would not occur.

He also said to call a meeting of residents of the area to consider construction of the breakwater before it was commenced was not a practical way in which the council can operate.

BREAKWATER REQUESTED IN 1958

Mr. Simmons reported that some years ago during 1958 a plan had been submitted by an association of residents in the area.

It incorporated a breakwater and at that stage the residents requested one but nothing was done.

The Boat Owners Association resurrected this proposition and approached the council with a request for a breakwater.

BEACH CHANGING

Mr. Simmons said he could not agree with Mr. Scherman's remarks that the beach had changed little in that area. He said it is well known that when the council acquired the title to Cresser Reserve and carried out a survey it was found that two thirds of the area on the original title had been inundated by the sea.

Further, the building known as the Red Shed has had to be moved in recent years.

This, therefore, indicates that the beach area is changing and yet the council has not carried out any work at all in the area.

Furthermore, this change is occuring along the whole of the foreshore. A study of sandbars from season to season will give an indication of these changes. A sandbar in front of the Life Saving Club caused some concern last season.

NO SAND AT HIGH TIDE

Mr. Simmons stated that the council was not satisfied with beaches in the area. He pointed out that when the tide is in there is no sandy stretch of beach on which visitors can sit and this is most desirable from the point of view of attracting people to the area.

The fact that there is no sandy beach at high tide constituted one of the reasons for the council's decision to press ahead with the breakwater.

The Board of Works considers the only way to build up the beach is by erecting a number of groynes starting from the Seaholme end of the beach.

The council had given much consideration to the site of the breakwater taking into account the seaweed and cost factors, said Mr. Simmons, and he is opposed to the alternative site near the intersection of Queen Street with the Esplanade which has been suggested by the petitioners.

SOLUTION TO SUIT ALL

Mr. Simmons said that possibly there is an alternative which would suit both parties. This was the extension of the existing rock area to two feet above sea level.

The Board of Works approved construction of the breakwater six feet above sea level.

Mr. Simmons said the council has a job of work to do in trying to build up the beach.

He could not agree that Altona has good beaches. Over the past few years the council has effected considerable improvements in the area generally which no doubt is assisting in attracting visitors to Altona.

Mr. Simmons considers the breakwater will improve the beach area further, particularly if constructed two feet above sea level even though the Board objected to this level and requested six feet.

Another Petition

Another petition requesting construction of the breakwater was received from the Boat Owners Association at the meeting of Altona council last week.

As a deputation from the objectors has been heard by the Parks, Foreshore and Properties Committee of the council representatives of the signatries on this latest petition will also be given the opportunity to put their views before the same committee.

Winner in Apex Competition

Jose Sanchez, of Seaholme Primary School, was one of the major prize winners in a competition conducted by Williamstown Apex Club.

At a school assembly last Thursday, Williamstown Apex President, Brian Hamment, presented Jose with a bicycle.

The competition was organised to raise funds to complete a children's traffic school at Newport to be used by all western suburbs schools.

SLOUGH ESTATES TO START SOON

Slough Estates believe they will be commencing building activities on their land in February or March 1966.

The first area to be developed will be 58 acres immediately west of Maidstone Street, Altona.

A letter to this effect was before the Altona Shire Council last Tuesday.

It read in part, "We wish to confirm the advice given that the company has just completed an agreement with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works in regard to drainage and, accordingly, we are now able, at long last, to commence development of a trading estate at Altona, and it is planned to commence building activities in February or March, 1966.

"We confirm that it is the intention of the company to commence building operations for leasing in advance of requirements and, further, that negotiations are in hand with three prospective tenants for factory areas varying from 20,000 to 120,000 square feet. At this stage we feel we cannot divulge the identity of the parties concerned, but this information will be made available as soon as it is possible to do so."

Before the council was also a communication from the Board of Works giving its approval under certain conditions.

The conditions are that the proposed use is not prohibited by the Shire of Altona Planning Scheme; compliance with the council's requirements regarding the temporary disposal of sewerage; the entering into of agreements between the company and the Board in respect of the drainage of the area and provision of water supply; and the approval by the Board of a plan of the layout of the proposed buildings and works and car parking areas.

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ALTONA JUST MISS AN OUTRIGHT

Altona missed an outright win by five runs after being given only one over in which to score the necessary 15 runs.

This was the result of the match against Werribee (2) in the Werribee Cricket Association after a day of very good attacking cricket by Altona in dismissing Werribee (2) twice in the one day.

ALTONA.—1st Innings: 7 wickets declared for 165.

WERRIBEE (2).—1st Innings:

Ashby c, b Hosken	4
Lockwood b Cumming	1
Lowe c, b Cumming	1
R. Dove b Cumming	4
Jarratt b Cumming	11
D. Dove c, b Cumming	2
Murphy c, b Deller	44
G. Nash b McCullagh	5
O'Connor c, b McCullagh	1
R. Nash c, b Deller	6
Flynn not out	0
Sundries	13
TOTAL	92

BOWLING: L. Cumming 5/20, J. Deller 2/6, R. McCullagh 2/14, G. Hosken 1/21.

WERRIBEE (2).—2nd Inns.:

R. Dove b Hosken	19
Jarratt b Cumming	6
Ashby c, b Cumming	3
D. Dove b Cumming	0
Murphy run out	3
Flynn c, b McCullagh	22
G. Nash lbw, b Hosken	5
Lowe b McCullagh	15
R. Nash run out	1
O'Connor b Cumming	6
Lockwood not out	0
Sundries	7
TOTAL	87

BOWLING: L. Cumming 4/17, G. Hosken 2/21, R. McCullagh 2/22, J. Deller 0/8.

ALTONA.—2nd Innings:

Cumming not out	6
Deller lbw, b Jarrett	2
Mildenhall not out	2
TOTAL 1 wicket for	10

BOWLING: D. Jarratt 1/10.

Altona Baps. Lose Outright

In the match against Newport Methodists at the J. T. Gray Reserve last Saturday in the Western Suburbs Church Cricket Association Altona Baptists lost outright by an innings and 36 runs.

I. Haskel took 8/14 for for Newport Methodists.

NPT. METHS.—1st Innings:

Johnston c, b Bryce	22
Williams c, b Wenlock	0
I. Cocks run out	31
A. Cocks c, b Bryce	14
Sorragan b Culbard	13
Viney c, b Culbard	29
Styles c, b Culbard	6
D. Cocks c, b Bryce	3
E. Cocks b Culbard	17
Lowery b Bryce	11
Haskell not out	1
Sundries	15
TOTAL	162

BOWLING: S. Culbard 4/45, J. Bryce 4/62, L. Wenlock 1/15.

ALTONA BAPS.—1st Innings:

Bryce b Haskel	5
Russell b Viney	1
Marr not out	9
Culbard c, b Haskel	0
Reid c, b Viney	2
Johnstone c, b Haskel	1
Wenlock b Haskel	3
Smith c, b Haskel	5
Patterson c, b Haskel	0
Burton c, b Haskel	8
Carrington b Haskel	0
Sundries	7
TOTAL	41

BOWLING: I. Haskel 8/14, R. 2/17.

ALTONA BAPTS.—2nd Inns.:

Bryce c, b Haskel	4
Russell lbw, b Sorragan	3
Marr run out	4
Culbard b Sorragan	3
Reid c, b Sorragan	0
Johnstone c, b A. Cocks	13
Wenlock b A. Cocks	3
Smith c, b A. Cocks	0
Patterson c, b A. Cocks	0
Burton not out	15
Carrington b I. Cocks	14
Sundries	25
TOTAL	84

BOWLING: A. Cocks 4/9, R. Sorragan 3/13, I. Cocks 1/2.

ALTONA B1 LOSE CLOSE GAME

In an interesting second day at Grant Reserve Altona B1 were narrowly defeated by Spotswood Imps. B1 on the first innings.

Spotswood resumed at 3/45 and needed 28 runs to lead on the first innings. They started well until Conradi, bowling well into the wind, wrecked the Spotswood innings by taking five wickets for only four runs. Spotswood captain, Dave Thoms, left with only one wicket standing and needing two runs to win, hit out to score the winning runs.

Altona batted for the second time and went for the runs in a bid to win outright. They scored well to declare at 8/71 with Blanche top scoring with 18. Dave Thoms again bowled steadily to take 6/15.

Spotswood chasing runs started well but after losing four quick wickets the remaining batsmen were content to play out time and retain first innings points.

ALTONA.—1st Innings: 73.

SPOTSWOOD.—1st Innings (resumed at 3/45):

Toomey c, b Conradi	17
Glazner lbw, b Conradi	12
McDonald b Norman	4
Lee c, b Conradi	0
Thoms not out	12
Williams b Norman	0
Raymer b Conradi	1
Cairns c, b Conradi	0
Sundries	12
TOTAL	80

BOWLING: R. Conradi 6/25, W. Norman 3/32, J. Harrison 1/7.

ALTONA.—2nd Innings:

Milner b Thoms	8
Lewis c, b Raymer	6
Noonan b Thoms	0
Buckingham c, b Thoms	7
Blanche b Thoms	18
Adam c, b Thoms	5
R. Harrison c, b Thoms	0
J. Harrison b Cairns	10
Wright not out	2
Sundries	17
TOTAL 7 dec. for	73

BOWLING: D. Thoms 6/15, A. Raymer 1/18, J. Cairns 1/14.

SPOTSWOOD.—2nd Innings:

Mildern c, b R. Harrison	10
Toomey stpd., b R. Harrison	12
Lee b R. Harrison	0
Cairns b R. Harrison	0
Lee not out	3
Smart not out	13
Sundries	4
TOTAL 4 wickets for	42

BOWLING: R. Harrison 4/13.

Altona Combine Down by 10 Runs

At Ford Reserve, Altona, last Saturday North Williamstown Church of Christ defeated Altona Combine by 10 runs on the first innings in the South Section of the Western Suburbs Church Cricket Association Juniors.

B. Garde was to score for Altona with 58 not out.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

I Chalmers b Hayes	12
Holden b Self	0
White b Hayes	21
Garde not out	58
Osborne b Self	0
D. Chalmers b Tee	7
Liddle c, b Williams	6
Ford b Lawerson	1
Courtot c, b Lawerson	0
Dods b Lawerson	2
Pratt c, b Lawerson	0
Sundries	17
TOTAL	124

BOWLING: R. Lawerson 4/14.

N.W.C. OF C.—1st Innings:

Hayes c, b Holden	31
Lawerson c, b I. Chalmers	2
Self c, b Garde	36
Williams lbw, b Holden	4
Hutchison not out	25
Thatcher c, b I. Chalmers	0
Tee c, b Holden	1
Wiseman lbw, b Osborne	8
Kerkos b Osborne	0
Cassell c, b I. Chalmers	9
Robson not out	0
Sundries	18
TOTAL	134

BOWLING: J. Holden 3/30, I. Chalmers 3/39.

Good Win to Altona Juniors

Altona Juniors in a one day game at Altona convincingly defeated Newport A.N.A. on the first innings.

Altona batting first and looking for runs had a good start from Jensen and McCudden, the first wicket falling at 15. Martin Crump came in early and played another fine hand for 57 not out. This follows an earlier 102 not out and gives this young man the fine average of 56.

Patton, Ford and Calaz supported Crump well in the quest for runs and at the close of batting time Altona were 4/120.

Newport A.N.A. were soon in trouble losing two early wickets but a stand between East and Bright helped Newport A.N.A. recover to 41, but good fielding by Altona had A.N.A. in another slump to be finally dismissed for 62.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

Jensen b East	6
McCudden b East	6
Crump not out	57
Patton run out	7
Ford c, b Wright	8
Calaz not out	25
Sundries	11
TOTAL 4 dec. for	120

BOWLING: J. East 2/40.

ALTONA.—1st Innings:

East b Calaz	17
Horton run out	0
Mackie c, b Jensen	4
Fletcher lbw, b Jensen	0
Bright c, b Calaz	19
H. Bunting c, b Oram	4
Buckmaster run out	0
Kelly b Calaz	2
Hughes run out	0
S. Bunting not out	4
Taylor b Oram	0
Sundries	12
TOTAL	62

BOWLING: M. Calaz 3/10, R. Jensen 2/10, Oram 2/13.

Church Cricket

A GRADE

St. Andrew's 7/245 (Garbutt 39, Pedretti 33, D. Homewood 75, McLeod 43 n.o., Sinclair 23 n.o., Jackson 3/51, G. Manton Jun. 3/15) d. Seddon Congs./Tot. Baps. 128 and 8/112 (L. Murray 24, Roberts 27, Power 15, D. Homewood 6/50).

Barkly Street 5/88 dec. and 4/117 (Hollings 47 n.o., Collett 32, Ross 3/39) d. Footscray C. of C. 85 and 118 (Davis 46, Landos 28, Bates 3/39).

B GRADE

Seddon Congs./Tot. Baps. 9/159 dec. (K. Bell 33, Gook 27, McClellan 21, Seers 3/50, Scheurer 3/32) and 1/58 (Gook 23 n.o., Nawrocki 20 n.o.) d. Christ Church 111 and 104 (Duggan 28, McCauley 21, Newman 3/15, Gook 3/6, N. Manton 4/35).

Kingsville Baps. 5/193 dec. (J. Anderson 66 n.o., Jackson 25) and 0/18 d. All Saints 122 and 86 (Brown 30, Walker 6/27).

Nth. W'town C. of C. 138 (Morrison 64 n.o., Gates 4/47, Pertzd 3/13) d. West Footscray Scots 103 and 85 (W. Neville 6/18).

C GRADE

Seddon Congs./Tot. Baps. 55 and 81 (Oates 22, Meares 3/24, Joy 3/6) lost to Paisley Street 167.

Ballarat Road 127 (Given 5/50, W. Keenan 3/43) and 3077 (McInnes 32 n.o., A. Berry 22) d. Maidstone 151 and 6/47 dec. (Richardson 4/12).

Yarraville Pres. 218 (Curwood 37, Knight 35, McDonald 34, R. Hayes 4/59) d. Yarraville Baps. 125.

JUNIORS

SOUTH SECTION

W'town Congs. 117 and 4/112 (R. Lee 48) d. St. Andrew's 63 (I. Young 23, K. Hamilton 5/6).

Christ Church 8/143 dec. (Bradbury 46, McLeod 20, Rich 4/64, Welsh 2/24) and 0/6 d. Yarraville Congs. 87 and 58.

CUMMING IN THE W.C.A. SIDE

LANCE CUMMING, captain of the Altona side in the Werribee Cricket Association, has been selected in the Werribee Association team to meet a representative side from Geelong.

The match will be played at Chirnside Park, Werribee, on New Year's Day.

It is hoped a good attendance of local residents will attend this match and give support to the Werribee team and Lance.

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Altona Cricket Club will recommence practice on January 6 in the new year as the Werribee side have a two day match on January 8 and 15.

The four sides in the Williamstown and Footscray District Cricket Association will have a one day match on January 15.

JANUARY 8-15: Altona v. State Research Farm at Altona.

JANUARY 15: Altona A Turf v. Newport A.N.A. at Digman Reserve, Newport at 1 p.m.

B1 Turf v. Powerhouse at Altona at 1 p.m.

B2 Turf v. Spotswood Imps. (1) at Spotswood at 1 p.m.

Juniors v. Altona North Tech. at Altona North at 9 a.m.

TIDE TABLES FOR WILLIAMSTOWN

DECEMBER	High Water a.m.	High Water p.m.	Low Water a.m.	Low Water p.m.
22 Wednesday	2.45	1.32	8.24	8.57
23 Thursday	3.42	2.25	9.17	9.41
24 Friday	4.32	3.16	10.05	10.18
25 Saturday	5.13	4.01	10.49	10.55
26 Sunday	5.50	4.47	11.32	11.30
27 Mondaq	6.25	5.32	—	12.12
28 Tuesday	6.57	6.15	12.04	12.50
29 Wednesday	7.26	6.55	12.41	1.27
30 Thursday	7.53	7.36	1.18	2.03
31 Friday	8.21	8.22	1.55	2.38

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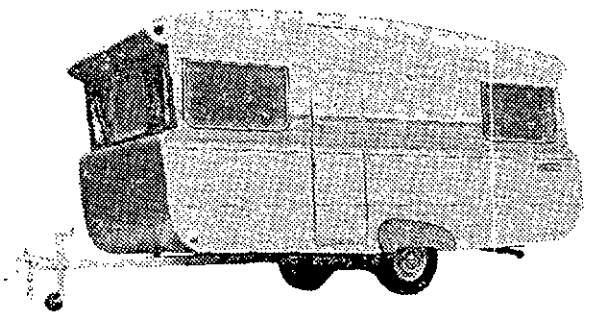

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Drunk and Disorderly Charges Upheld

Three young men were found guilty at Williamstown Court last Wednesday of being drunk and disorderly at Altona on the previous Sunday night.

Two of them also were found guilty of other charges arising out of their arrest.

John Francis Patrick MORETON, 21 years, of Railway Street, Altona, was charged with unlawfully assaulting Constable KEEGHAN in the execution of his duty and with being drunk and disorderly in Pier Street, Altona, on December 12, 1965. Also charged with him was Roger SHARROCKS, 22 years, of Cecil Street, Williamstown. He was charged with resisting Keeghan in the execution of his duty, with using indecent language in a public place and with being drunk and disorderly. They pleaded not guilty and were represented by Mr. Williams. Norman John COOKE, of Curlew Avenue, Altona, was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He did not appear.

Constable D. Keeghan, of Footscray, told the Court that he was directed by D24, on Sunday, December 12, to go to the corner of Pier Street and the Esplanade, Altona.

With him was First Constable Hernan. Keeghan said he spoke to other police there and walked across to the park on the corner. He saw the three defendants seated there. Sharrocks had a large can of beer in his hand and Moreton had a flagon of wine, almost empty. They were swaying and very unsteady, eyes were bloodshot and their breath smelt very strongly of liquor. He informed them they were under arrest for being drunk and disorderly, and commenced to take them across the road to the divisional van. Keeghan said he had hold of Sharrocks' arm when Sharrocks said in a loud voice, "We'll have them," and then used an indecent expression. There was a large number of people in the vicinity who looked over towards them. They continued on and when he opened the door of the van to put them in Sharrocks faltered and said, "Will we have them." Moreton then hit him on the side of the face with a solid punch, knocking him back. Sharrocks wrestled and broke away.

Constable Leader chased Sharrocks and caught him, Keeghan went to Leader's assistance. Sharrocks was now struggling very violently, and throwing his arms about and kicking with his feet. They eventually got him back to the van, but he refused to get in. The two policemen then forced him into the van. Moreton was already in and Cooke then entered.

At the police station Sharrocks kept wanting to fight them all and was saying they were too scared to fight him. He asked for a cigarette and used another expression when told Keeghan did not smoke.

In reply to Mr. Williams Keeghan said he had not received personal orders to break up any groups in Altona. He said it is the same everywhere, they broke up any groups.

Keeghan agreed there now are more police cruising in the Altona area. He denied using any undue force when first trying to put Sharrocks in the van.

Constable G. Leader, of Footscray, told the court that he was patrolling the beach area in Altona and noticed the three youths sitting on a wall. As he drove past one of them called out something he could not distinguish and waved a large bottle over his head. He stopped the car, walked back to the three and asked them to repeat the expression. They replied, "Nothing much mate, we are just having a drink of plonk." He formed the impression they were drunk. Five minutes later the divisional van arrived and he noticed the three defendants had left the wall and were sitting on a seat in the park. Leader agreed with the evidence given on following events by Keeghan. In reply to Mr. Williams Leader said he did not see any marks on Keeghan's face after being hit.

Sharrocks said in the witness box that Keeghan came up to them and said, "Sharrocks, you are coming with me." He asked why and was told he was being arrested for being drunk and disorderly and said, "That's all right." Sharrocks said he was being pushed into the van, fell back and was pulled around on the ground. He showed marks on his arm and side he alleged he received at that time.

Moreton gave evidence that he fell as he was being put in the van, cutting his knees. He did not hit the Constable but may have brushed him as he fell. Sharrocks denied using any indecent language and Moreton said he did not hear any.

Mr. J. F. Kean, S.M., said he was satisfied the charges had been proved. Sharrocks admitted previous convictions for using threatening words, resisting arrest and assaulting Police. Moreton admitted a previous conviction for indecent language and offensive behaviour.

Cooke was fined £1 in default 24 hours. Sharrocks was fined £10 or seven days for indecent language, £7 or five days for resisting arrest and convicted and discharged for being drunk and disorderly. Moreton was fined £20 in default 14 days for assault and convicted and discharged for being drunk and disorderly.

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Mr. G. Roy Crick, M.L.A., Member for Grant, wishes to convey the following Christmas message to residents of his electorate—

"As we approach yet another Christmas and New Year period, may I be given this opportunity of conveying to all my constituents, on behalf of my good lady and myself, our very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthful New Year.

"It is also our sincere wish that during the Festive Season where ever your travels do take you, that all family units enjoy their much deserved holidays without any painful suffering or gloom occasioned by accidents and other troubles, that are usually most prevalent at this period of the year.

"With the ever increasing volume of traffic on our roads, may we all practice care and be prepared to extend the courtesy of the road to other motorists, as we all hope that they will show towards ourselves.

"May the new year of 1966 bring peace on earth and goodwill towards mankind, may the sick be restored to health, may the starving peoples of the world be fed, may the oppressed and downtrodden peoples be uplifted with happiness, and may we all put into practice the Godly teachings of the brotherhood of man.

"With all the best of seasonal greetings, yours sincerely, G. Roy Crick, M.L.A."

Seaholme Primary Speech Night

At Seaholme Primary School's first speech night held in the new Altona Working Men's Club building a number of students were presented with scholarships. They were:

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Among the guests was the Deputy Shire President, Cr. S. G. McIntosh.

A representative of the Mothers' Club presented a cheque for £300 to the head master, Mr. A. F. Blackie.

In his report to the parents Mr. Blackie commented on the advances made at the school over the last 12 months. He praised the work of the Mothers' Club and friends of the school for their support.

Teachers transferring to other schools were farewelled and the Mothers' Club presented each with a gift.

In the financial report it was revealed that receipts of the School Committee and the Mothers' Club for 1965 were £509/9/5 and expenditure was £459/5/6, leaving a balance of £50/3/11.

Grateful acknowledgements for their aid to the school were offered to the Altona Shire Council, Altona Working Men's Club, scholarship donors, school committee, the Mothers' Club, staff, religious instructors and the cleaning staff.

Pupils Give up Their Lunch Money

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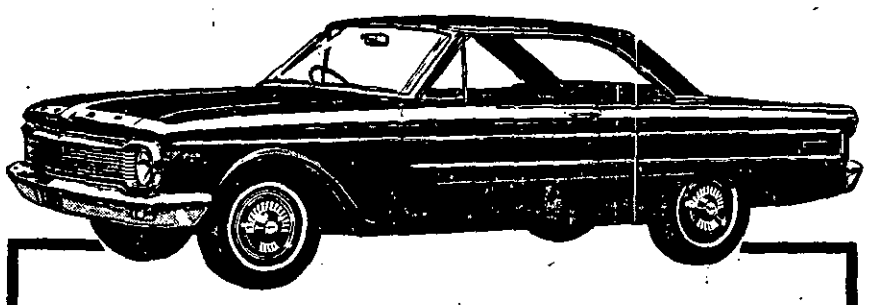

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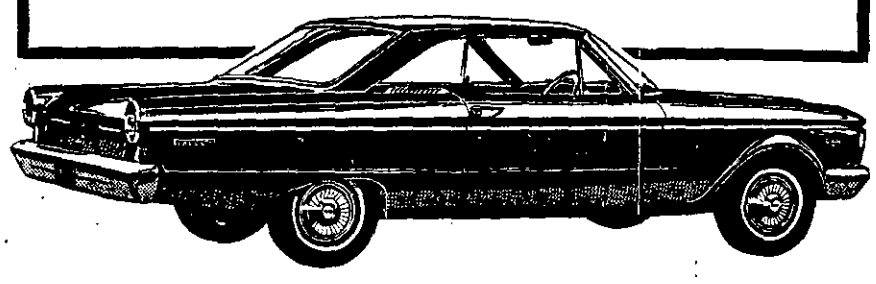

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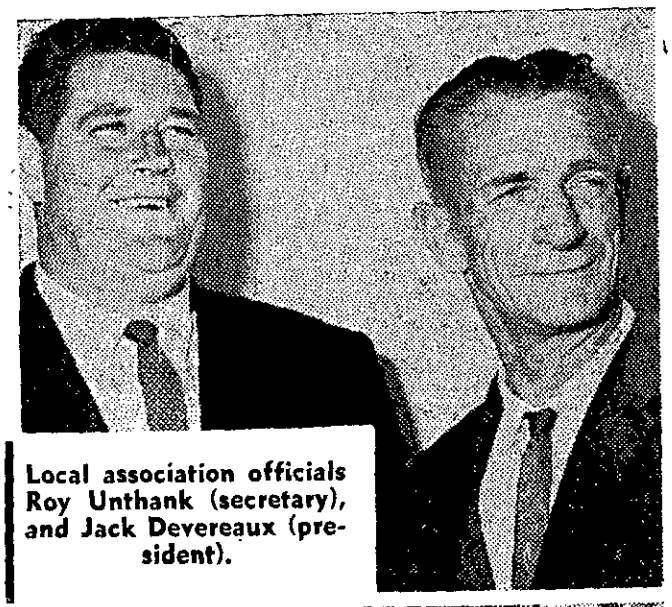
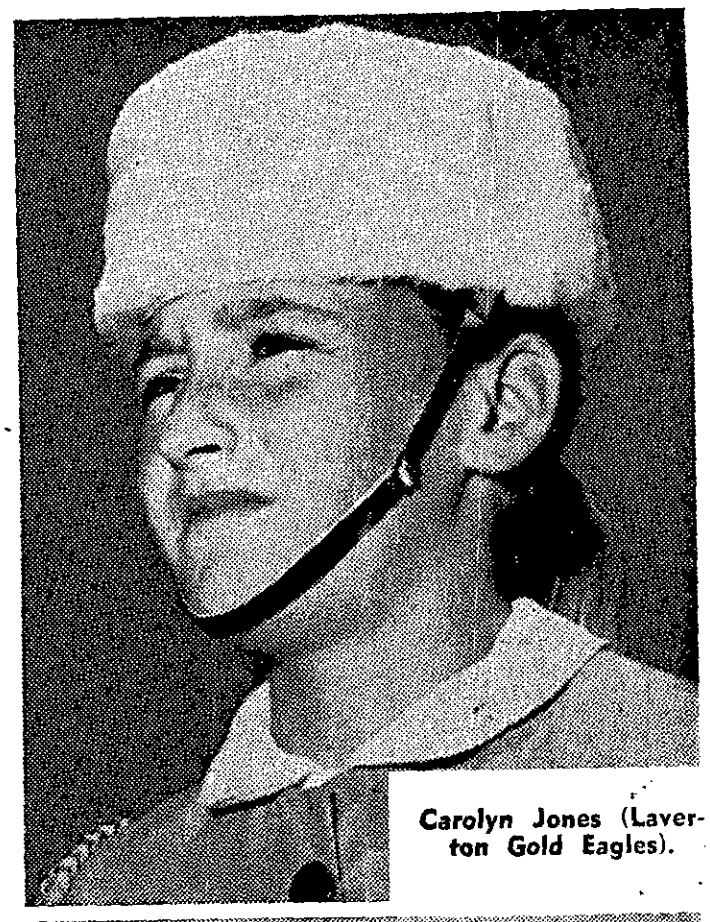
The success of the day—the first arranged by the Laverton Marching Girls' Association—was highlighted for the organisers when their own midget team won two medals.



Local association officials Roy Unthank (secretary), and Jack Devereaux (president).



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Laverton All Stars Diane Heyden, Lorraine Warren, Judy Manning, Karen Smith, Sylvene Devereaux (leader).

OBITUARY

An old resident of Altona passed away last week.

William Patrick Francis Green died on Wednesday at Altona Hospital after a short illness. He had a life long association with this district having lived at Werribee for 50 years and since at Altona. He was aged 69.

Mr. Green was very well-known in Altona. He, with his brother, ran the ice business. He was a good citizen. Active for the progress of Altona his interests included St. Mary's Church and School.

After a Requiem Mass at St. Mary's the funeral took place at Western Suburbs Memorial Park.

Mr. Green leaves many friends. He is survived by his wife and four of his children, Valda (Mrs. J. Pierce of Box Hill), Frances (Mrs. Don Smith of Werribee South), Maurice (of Warrnambool) and Mary (Mrs. J. Hammeft of Rockhampton).

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3. Council contribution to Private Street Scheme Works	£17,800	$35,600
4. Council proportion of Country Roads Board works	£10,960	$21,920
5. Purchase of land as sites for Kindergartens in Altona North and Altona West areas	£5,000	$10,000
6. Purchase of land for street widening and railway reserve purposes as authorised in the Altona Rail Extension Act 1965 being parts of Lot 57 of L.P. 11478 and parts 15, 19, 20 & 21 of L.P. 29290.	£5,000	$10,000
7. Office equipment and furniture at Civic Offices, Hall and the Council Suite.	£4,240	$8,480
	£75,000	$150,000

3. The period of the loan shall be 20 years.
4. The loan shall be repaid by the establishment and accumulation of a sinking fund, pursuant to the provisions of Section 428 (a) of the Local Government Act 1958 by provisions out of the municipal fund of an amount of £2391 ($4782) in each year during the period of the loan.
5. Interest shall be payable at the office of the Hospital Benefits Association on the first days of June and December in each year during the period of the loan. The first interest payment shall be made on the 1st day of June, 1966.
6. Such moneys shall be repayable to The Hospital Benefits Association of Victoria at the office of the said Association, 390 Little Collins Street, Melbourne.

and further that confirmation of this order be made an **Order of the Day** for the Special Council Meeting to be held on January 25, 1966."

JAMES W. WATERS,

Shire Secretary.

SHIRE OF ALTONA

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Primula Avenue, between Chambers Road and Millers Road. Clematis and Marigold Avenues. Borrack Square, Duke Street and Murphy Street. Stirling and Seaholme Avenues and Sussex Street.

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(a) Blue stone, quarry products and/or ferrous materials over or along Primula Avenue, between Chambers Road and Millers Road.

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(c) Earth, stone, clay, concrete and/or ferrous materials over or along Borrack Square, Duke Street and Murphy Street.

(d) Earth, clay, stones and similar materials over and along Stirling and Seaholme Avenues and Sussex Street.

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JAMES, W. WATERS,

Shire Secretary.

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Mrs. ANN TAYLOR and Mr. DEREK TAYLOR and family wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.

IN MEMORIAM

HARRIS, Margaret May. — Treasured memories of a wonderful mother and nana passed away December 17, 1959. Wally, Margaret and children.

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Loving memories of our dear mother and nana.
There is a place in our hearts called memory lane
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PUBLIC NOTICES

WOULD the driver of pink and grey Holden S.W. who hit a black and white greyhound last Wednesday at 6.20 a.m. in Queen Street contact 251 The Esplanade to save further trouble for himself.

Dr. and Mrs. JOHN LEWIN and family wish all their friends a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. Would all please accept this as a sincere personal message.

FIRING PRACTICES—

WILLIAMSTOWN RIFLE RANGE AREA

The PUBLIC is hereby warned that FIRING PRACTICES with rifle, machine gun, machine carbine and pistol may be carried out between 0730 hours and 1900 hours daily in the WILLIAMSTOWN RIFLE RANGE area

DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY, 1966.

Members of the public must keep clear of the area defined below.

DEFINED AREA

All the land of the WILLIAMSTOWN area known as the WILLIAMSTOWN (or MERRETT) RIFLE RANGE; that is to say all that land SOUTH of KORORoIT CREEK ROAD enclosed between the junction of KORORoIT CREEK with the EASTERN boundary line of MADDOX STREET; thence in a NORTHERLY direction to the corner of MADDOX STREET and KORORoIT CREEK ROAD; thence in an EASTERLY direction to the junction of KORORoIT CREEK ROAD with the property of the Victorian State Education Department, thence in a SOUTHERLY direction along this boundary and the boundaries of housing properties; thence again in an EASTERLY direction for 289 yards to the boundary fence of the Girls' School; thence again in a SOUTHERLY direction to the PORT PHILLIP BAY FORESHORE; thence in a WEST and NORTH WESTERLY direction along the FORESHORE to the junction of KORORoIT CREEK with the EASTERN boundary line of MADDOX STREET afore-mentioned; and for a distance of 3200 yards SOUTH unto PORT PHILLIP BAY through the length of this FORESHORE widening to a length of 3800 yards at its SOUTHERN extremity.

ENTRY INTO THE AREA

Members of the public seeking entry into the range proper in the course of business must first make application to the Range Superintendent (telephone 65-6027). Entry for any other reason is forbidden.

Members of the public are warned against entry into the danger area of FORT PHILLIP BAY whenever firing practices are being conducted.

FLYING OF DANGER FLAGS

As a warning to the public that the range is in use RED flags are hoisted in the vicinity of the range foreshore at intervals throughout its length.

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LIFE MEMBER OF APEX CLUBS

Mr. Dave Lawerson has been elected to life membership of the Association of Apex Clubs—the first produced by Williamstown Apex Club.

The honour was announced at a combined Christmas dinner of the Williamstown, Altona and Sunshine Apex Clubs at the Royal Victorian Motor Yacht Club at Williamstown last Thursday.

It was based on "meritorious service" given by Mr. Lawerson to his club and the movement.

Mr. Lawerson had retired from Apex on reaching 40 years this year.

The Williamstown pesident Mr. Bryan Hamment, presented the life membership certificate, which was endorsed by the zone and the association boards.

Mr. Lawerson also was presented with a letter of congratulation under his club's letterhead and signed by the successive presidents of Williamstown Apex Club since it was formed seven years ago.

The district governor, Mr. Jack Foskett, said that Mr. Lawerson joined Apex in 1958. He became an inspiring president of Williamstown Club and under his guidance the club sponsored the successful formation of Altona Apex Club.

In 1961-62, he was governor of District 1 and was an outstanding traveller in visiting his clubs. His posts since included the club secretaryship in 1963-64 in which he was a model in efficiency.

Outside Apex, he served in Scouting.

Mr. Lawerson, in response, quoted the Apex ideal "to develop a more intelligent and aggressive citizenship" and said Apex would continue to be an inspiration in the community.

Altona Club defeated Sunshine in a heat of the Apex District debating contest at Williamstown recently.

The Altona team successfully argued that Australia should not officially recognise Red China.

Williamstown, winners of the district contest last year, have been eliminated this year by Coburg.

FLORAL ART CLASS

Arrangements for the Floral Art Class to be held in Altona next year are now being finalised.

The classes will be held on the first and third Monday nights of the month, beginning on Monday, February 21, 1966. There will be 12 lessons in all, and they will commence at 8 p.m. in St. Eanswythe's Church Hall, Queen Street. All those who wish to join are being asked to make sure Mrs. Moriarty, at The Vicarage, 7 Bent Street (391-1005) has their name and address before the end of the year.

The fee, £4/16/-(8/- a lesson) will be needed before February 7.

Truck Stealing — Charges Adjourned

Charges against five Altona youths of illegally using a motor car on November 3 were adjourned for 12 months at Williamstown Court last week.

The defendants were—

Richard Charles GREEN, of Maidstone Street, John BARNES, of Fenfield Street, Bogdon LENYSZYN, of Upton Street, Noel Anthony AUGUSTINO, of Upton Street and Edward LEATHER, of Maidstone Street. Leather was also charged with driving without being licensed. They all pleaded guilty and Barnes was represented by Mr. James.

First Constable J. Knight, of the Wireless Patrol, told Williamstown Court that at 2.40 a.m. on November 3 he was on patrol in Millers Road, Altona, when he identified a stolen truck. At the corner of Kororoit Creek Road he saw the five defendants.

He said to Leather, "It is alleged you know something about a stolen vehicle?" Leather replied, "That's correct." He was then asked if the other four were with him in the vehicle and he replied, "Yes."

They were all interviewed at the police station. All five made similar statements, that they had been out together in Green's car when a tyre punctured in New Footscray Road. There was no spare so they got a lift to the corner of Geelong and Millers Road.

While walking along Millers Road near the 16 Shops Augustino suggested taking a truck. He and Leather went to the vehicle while the other three continued walking. Augustino started it and Leather drove. The other three got into it, but a few streets further on it stopped. They left it there and started to walk the rest of the way home. Barnes said he did not want anything to do with taking it and only got in because they were calling out and he was worried about the noise. Leather said he did not have a licence to drive.

Mr. J. F. Kean, S.M., said the charge against each defendant would be adjourned until December 14, 1966, on them entering a £10 bond. They were each ordered to pay £2 costs. Leather was fined £8 for being unlicensed.

Local Scouts For N.Z. Jamboree

Scouts Wolfgang Forke, Ian Duddy and Peter Old, of 2nd Altona Troop, are among 463 Australian Boy Scouts who fly to New Zealand in January, 1966, to attend the New Zealand Progress Jamboree.

They will be members of the largest contingent of Australian Scouts ever to travel abroad and 10 special flights will be needed for the airlift.

Victoria and New South Wales will have the largest representatives—210 and 201 respectively, with representatives from South Australia, Tasmania, Queensland, Northern Territory, Papua and New Guinea.

The contingent will travel in two parties: the Northern party, which sets out from Sydney for Aukland on December 26 and the Southern party which leaves Melbourne for Christchurch at the same time.

Both parties will meet in Wellington on January 5 after touring one of the Islands (Northern party tours North Island, Southern party tours South Island) and will camp with over 4000 Scouts from 12 countries including the Far East and the Pacific Islands.

After the Jamboree, which lasts for eight days, the two parties will continue to tour and will arrive back in Australia around January 23.

Altona Pedal Club Break-up

The Altona Pedal Club held its break-up last Sunday and from all accounts everyone enjoyed the food and drinks and particularly the gifts.

The junior boy and girls with most points for the year were Gary Sorrell and Susan Harper. Senior winners were Ken Winn and Faye Winn. These children all do a wonderful job for the club outside of their riding.

Don't forget to look for news of the new year picnic.

Silver Pedal results for the next few weeks will be obtainable from the sellers.

December 11's results are 33, 91 and 121. For December 18, 118, 130 and 49.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Sir,

May I, through the courtesy of your paper, express on behalf of the officers and cadets of the Altona Cadet Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, our sincere thanks, gratitude and appreciation to the Altona Rotary Club for their fine gesture in presenting to our Cadet Division, two walkie-talkie units to be used in assisting us with our work.

These valuable units are now in use on beach patrol work to keep in contact with the first aid station and obtain assistance for persons requiring first aid or emergency that may arise on the beach.

The units can also be used in bushfire areas and at all functions that the Cadet Division participate in regard to the first aid assistance to the community.

Thanking the Rotary Club of Altona once more for their fine thoughts towards helping the community in general, yours faithfully, K. Reynolds, Divisional Officer, Altona Cadet Division of St. John Ambulance Brigade.

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